

The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

21 June 1985

Dear Norm,

Here is the program for the conference which you will keynote at 7:30 p.m. on the evening of June 25th.

I look forward to seeing you at the Eastern Air Lines Shuttle Terminal at National Airport at 5 p.m. on that date.

Sincerely,

William J. Casey

Enclosure

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CONFERENCE
ON
"CONTEMPORARY SOVIET PROPAGANDA AND DISINFORMATION"

--Preliminary Agenda--

June 25, 1985

3:00 P.M. Registration,
 Airlie House, Warrenton, Va.

5:30 P.M. Reception

6:30 P.M. Dinner

7:30 P.M. Keynote Address

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(8:00 A.M. - Session I. The Semantics of Soviet Propaganda and
12:00 Noon) Disinformation: Themes and Goals--Chair,
 Lewis S. Feuer, University of Virginia

8:00 A.M. Roundtable: "The Lexicon of Soviet Propaganda:
 Its Connotative Content"

 --Moderator: James P. Scanlan,
 Ohio State University

 --Panelists: Vassily Aksyonov, Goucher College
 : Libor Brom, University of Denver

9:00 A.M. Colloquium: "The Operational Code of the Politburo
 Revisited: Soviet Ideology Today"

 --Paper: George Breslauer,
 University of California, Berkeley

 --Commentator: Richard E. Combs, Jr.,
 Department of State

(10:00 - Break
10:15 A.M.)

10:15 A.M. Panel: "The Soviet Approach to Discourse in
 International Relations"

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--Paper, "Setting the General Terms of Reference":
Herbert J. Ellison, The Kennan Institute for
Advanced Russian Studies

--Paper, "Dealing With Friendly Forces": Jiri Hochman,
Ohio State University

--Paper, "Dealing with Adversarial Forces": TBA

--Commentator: Leon Lipson,
Yale University

12:00 Noon Luncheon

(1:00 -
5:15 P.M.) Session II. Case Studies in Soviet Use of
Propaganda and Disinformation--Chair,
Paul Seabury, University of California at Berkeley

1:00 P.M. Roundtable: "The Treatment of the History of
World War II in the Baltics"

--Paper: Romuald Misiunas, Yale University

--Panelists: Louis Rotundo, Florida State University
: Aleksandr Nekrich, Russian Research Center,
Harvard University

2:00 P.M. Colloquium: "The Soviet Defense Burden and the
Specter of War"

--Paper: Myron Rush, Cornell University

--Commentator: Cyril Black, Princeton University

(3:00 -
3:15 P.M.) Break

3:15 P.M. Colloquium: "The Peace Movement in Europe:
Manipulation of Popular Perceptions"

--Paper: Gerhard Wettig, Federal Institute for
Eastern and International Studies (Koln, FRG)

--Commentator: John Van Oudenaren,
The Rand Corporation

4:15 P.M. Colloquium: "The Arms Control Arena: Target on
Policy Initiatives"

--Paper: Stanley Kober, Center for Naval Analyses

--Commentator: TBA

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6:30 P.M. Dinner

(8:00 - Workshop: Soviet Propaganda Channels--Chair,
10:00 P.M.) Maurice Tugwell, University of New Brunswick

8:00 P.M. Seminar A: "Propaganda and the Media"

 --Leader: Ellen Mickiewicz,
 Emory University

Seminar B: "Propaganda and Diplomacy"

 --Leader: Malcolm Toon,
 retired U.S. Ambassador

Seminar C: "Propaganda and Unofficial
 Relationships"

 --Leader: Richard H. Shultz,
 Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy

9:00 P.M. Plenary Session: Seminar Reports

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(9:00 - Session II. Case Studies... (cont.)
10:00 A.M.)

9:00 A.M. Colloquium: "National Liberation Movements"

 --Paper: Roger Kanet, University of Illinois,
 Urbana-Champaign

 --Commentator: David Albright, Air War College

(10:00 - Break
10:15 A.M.)

(10:15 A.M. - Session III. Impact of Domestic Sensitivities on
12:00 Noon) Soviet External Propaganda and Disinformation--
 Chair, Cyril Black

10:15 A.M. Panel: "Coping With the Contradictions"

 --Paper, "Dissidence": Peter Reddaway,
 London School of Economics and Political Science

 --Paper, "Religion": Bohdan Bociurkiw,
 The Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian
 Studies

 --Paper, "Emigres": Tonu Parming,
 University of Maryland

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--Paper, "Afghanistan": Zalmay Khalilzad,
Columbia University

--Commentator: Robert Conquest,
The Hoover Institution

12:00 Noon Luncheon

(1:00 -
3:00 P.M.) Session III. Impact... (cont.)

1:00 P.M. Roundtable: "Moscow's View of Its Own Performance and
of Western Vulnerability to Semantic Manipulation"

--Moderator: Robert V. Daniels,
University of Vermont

--Panelists: Vladimir Shlapentokh,
Michigan State University
: Michael Voslensky,
Research Institute for Contemporary
Soviet Affairs (Munich, FRG)

2:00 P.M. Roundtable: "Domestic Backlash: National
Misperceptions and Policy Distortions"

--Moderator: Uri Ra'anan, Fletcher School of
Law and Diplomacy

--Panelists: Alex Alexiev, The Rand Corporation
: TBA

(3:00 -
3:15 P.M.) Break

(3:15 -
5:00 P.M.) Session IV. 'Conference Findings

3:15 P.M. Roundtable: "Strengths and Weaknesses of Soviet Use of
Propaganda and Disinformation Against Western National
Security Interests"

--Moderator: Paul A. Smith, Jr.,
Editor, Problems of Communism

--Panelists: Lewis Feuer, Paul Seabury,
Maurice Tugwell, Cyril Black

5:00 P.M. Conference closes.